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EVALUATION APPARATUS  
FOR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES,  
EVALUATION METHOD FOR  
THE SAME, AND STORAGE  
MEDIUM STORING COMPUTER  
PROGRAMS FOR EXECUTING  
THE SAME EVALUATION METHOD

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows: